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Serial No.: 09/445,088

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Yuichiro Nakaya et al.  
Serial No.: 09/445,088  
Filed: December 2, 1999  
For: IMAGE ENCODING AND DECODING METHOD AND  
DEVICE  
Art Unit: 2613  
Examiner: Lee, Richard J.

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**AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

May 16, 2002

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 16, 2002, please  
amend the above-identified application as follows.

**IN THE TITLE**

Please change the title to --A METHOD OF SYNTHESIZING  
INTERFRAME PREDICTED IMAGE, AND IMAGE CODING AND  
DECODING METHOD AND DEVICE THEREFORE--.

**IN THE DRAWINGS**

A Request for Approval of Drawing Corrections to Figs.1, 2, 6 and  
13 is attached to this Amendment.